

1 37. The method of Claim 36, further including the steps of:
2 presenting particular data from said table as an object belonging to an object class
3 and having said particular object id;
4 said database server executing a database statement that identifies said object
5 reference; and
6 wherein execution of said database statement causes the database server to access
7 said particular data as said object.

1 38. A method for presenting data from a set of one or more tables in a database, the
2 method comprising the steps of:
3 reading data from one or more rows of the set of one or more tables based on an
4 object view that is defined by database metadata and that is based on the
5 set of one or more tables, the object view defining a presentation of data as
6 a set of objects that reside in said database, the set of one or more tables
7 including at least one relational table; and
8 accessing said data from one or more rows as a set of objects that reside in said
9 database.

1 39. The method of claim 38, further including the step of said database server
2 executing a database statement at a database server, wherein execution of said
3 database statement by said database server causes said database server to access
4 said data from one or more rows.

1 40. The method of claim 39, wherein:
2 said database statement includes an object reference to a particular object of said set
3 of objects; and
4 wherein execution of said database statement by said database server causes said
5 database server to access said data from one or more rows.